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Pronunciation and Meaning

Using a Dictionary to Use Words Properly



Directions: In each set of sentences below, only one uses the underlined word correctly. Choose the correct sentence. Write its letter in the box. Use a dictionary to help you determine the possible meanings of each underlined word.

1. A. So far, Larry is weathering life as a high school student pretty well.
B. Larry doesn't know weathering or not he likes high school.
2. A. Peggy ambitions to go to college.
B. Peggy has ambitions to go to college.
3. A. Harriet is ambidextrous so she writes with both hands.
B. Harriet is ambidextrous at using the computer.
4. A. Jim tried to make his voice auditory.
B. Jim's auditory exam went well.
5. A. It takes 3/4 of the states to ratify a constitutional amendment.
B. It takes a lot to ratify the American public.
6. A. We decided to sell our furniture at auction.
B. We stuck it to the window using auction cups.
7. A. Jane is unable to solve a math problem if it includes an infraction.
B. Terry's infraction was enough to get him expelled.
8. A. We were given an assignment to make a graphite.
B. In school we use graphite pencils.
9. A. We hope the storm will not intensify.
B. The conversation between them was getting intensify.
10. A. Karen wrote her biography.
B. Someone wrote Karen's biography.